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Elections -- Albanian Style

Campaigning has begun for the Albanian parliamentary elections scheduled for October 6. The Democratic Front, the party's mass organization, held a meeting last week to map out campaign strategy, and the same day published an "appeal" to all Albanians to vote for the Front's list of candidates. In the last parliamentary elections (September 1970), official announcements claimed that 100 percent of the voters participated and cast 100 percent of their ballots for the Democratic Front slate.

During thi	s campaign, regime treatment of the role the	
military will b	ear scrutiny.	25X1
plaims t	hat the subject of political control over the	
military is a m	aior preoccupation of the current Albanian	
leadership.	speculates that the military	
could play an i	mportant role in the selection of a successor	
to party boss H	oxha.	

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